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MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 13, 2016

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Members Present:

Norman A. Hills, Chairman Joel D. Hartley, Vice Chairman

Jeffrey J. Doubrava, Clerk Stephen C. Gonsalves, Member

Cynthia Callow, Member Kristen Saint Don, Associate

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13 Members Absent:

Lawrence B. Dorman, Associate

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Admin. Assistant:

Others Present:

Donna M. Hemphill

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Brian Hedin, Dexter Beach Improvement Association; Laura A. Briggs, C.F. Briggs Inc; Pam & Gary Parsons, D.B.I.A.; Amy & Nick Mitcheson, 18 Wilson Road; Cheryl Francis, 20 Doran Way; John &

D. Doran, 106 Dexter Road; Kate & Michael Sudofsky, 22 Allen

Street; Jeff Oakes, CLE Engineering, Inc.

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Meeting convened at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 in the conference room of the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, Massachusetts. Site visits were held on Saturday, April 9, 2016 by J. Hartley, C. Callow, J. Doubrava, N. Hills and S. Gonsalves. This meeting was televised and video recorded by Old Rochester Community Television (ORCTV), and audio recorded by Town of Marion staff.

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Appointment with Paul Driscoll, 51 Holly Road. P. Driscoll bought the 7:00 PM property in October 2015. He started to remove phragmites before realizing that he needed to file an application with the Commission. N. Hills noted that there is an old plan of the property on file from 2002 that shows the wetland line and the cutting took place within the resource area. A wetland scientist would need to establish where the wetland line is now and transferred onto an engineered plan to be submitted with an after the fact filing of a Notice of Intent. There was a discussion regarding the process of removing phragmites. It was noted that homeowners are allowed to treat their own property, provided that they first file and receive approval from the Conservation Commission. P. Driscoll will prepare an application for submittal in the near future.

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Dexter Beach Improvement Association, c/o Brian Hedin, Request for 7:05 PM Determination of Applicability (File No. 41D-1604), to repair the support brackets on the

existing concrete pier and existing walkway. Brain Hedin was present to represent the Association. He described the current condition of the I beams and noted that the repairs are necessary due to safety concerns. B. Hedin submitted pictures for the Commission to review. There was a discussion as to how the repairs would be completed. Fabricated aluminum I beams will be used as well as southern yellow pine. There were no questions from the audience or the Commission. It was noted that the pier does have a Chapter 91 license. B. Hedin asked if each time that a repair is needed is it necessary to file paperwork. Yes, a filing is needed each time. C. Callow motioned to close the hearing, J. Doubrava seconded; voted unanimously.

7:10 PM (7:15PM) Michael Sudofsky, Request for Determination of Applicability (File No. 41D-1605), to remove trim brush along the stone wall at 345 Front Street. M. Sudofsky was present. He noted that he recently purchased the Captain Hadley House and would like to trim the brush along the wall on the property. S. Gonsalves suggested removing the vegetation from within the wall as well. M. Sudofsky said that the intent is once it is cleared they area will be left natural and there will be occasional mowing on the property. There were no questions from the audience or the Commission. J. Doubrava motioned to close the hearing; C. Callow seconded; voted unanimously.

7:15 PM (7:20PM) Nicholas Mitcheson, Request for Determination of Applicability (File No 41D-1600), for a proposed addition at 18 Wilson Road. Continued from March 23, 2016. N. Mitcheson was present and submitted revised plans to the Commission. He also submitted estimates and appraisal. Adjustments were made to the design in order to comply with the 50% rule. The addition is now proposed to 18x22 (18x23 with a cantilevered second floor) instead of the original 18x26. The addition will be slab on grade with a perimeter foundation. The first floor will be level with the rest of the house, elevation 13 feet. There were no questions from the audience or the Commission. S. Gonsalves motioned to close the hearing; C. Callow seconded; voted unanimously.

7:20 PM (7:25PM) Ann lannuzzi, Notice of Intent (SE 041-1244), for minimal grading and planting of indigenous wetland vegetation to replace the stands of invasive Phragmites and Japanese Knotweed that were removed in compliance with Order of Conditions SE 041-1202 at 9 Shell Heap Road. Jeff Oakes of CLE Engineering was present to represent A. lannuzzi. He submitted revised plans to the Commission. He pointed out that there is now a row of stones at the upper limit of the wetland planting on the south side of the house to mark the edge of wetland. The stones will come out of the existing pile that is on site. He noted that on the south side of the property is the overflow ditch from the

Sprague's Cove water quality basin. This area periodically floods and causes ponding and standing water. The first part of the project is to level out some low spots, pitch the grade so that the flood water doesn't get onto the property and create ponding/standing water. The second part is to revegetate the area with heavy dense plantings. The third part of the project will be to plant a shrub layer on the upper level to keep children and dogs from getting into the ditches on two sides of the property. The stockpile on site will be spread first then create a relatively level plateau that blends from the existing grade down toward the property line. J. Oakes described how the plantings will be done. Before any work is started a silt fence will be put in place. They intend to do all work this spring. J. Doubrava asked about the amount of new fill that is proposed to be brought onto the property. J. Oakes said that approximately 20 yards of fill is proposed to be used. The purpose is to remove the ponding and standing water. There was a discussion regarding the amount of fill to be used. J. Oakes said that two oak trees will be removed. There are two red maple stumps that will also be removed and replaced with red cedars. Since the green certified mail cards had not been received, J. Oakes requested to continue the hearing. He is going to do another abutter notification. N. Hills motioned to continue the hearing to Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 7:20pm; J. Doubrava seconded; voted unanimously.

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N. Hills motioned to issue the Partial Certificate of Compliance for <u>Mark & Meredith</u> <u>Koerner</u> of 20 River View Lane, SE41-177; J. Doubrava seconded; voted unanimously.

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Request for comments from the ZBA: Cases #722 & 723, Dianne A. Kelley, Trustee – No recommendations. Request for comments from the ZBA: Case #724, Garrett Bradley – No recommendations.

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The Commission discussed the site visit to Bird Island. Work still has to be done but all work stopped on April 7 and cannot commence again until September 7. Members were pleased with the progress.

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Each member received a copy of an email from the Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission regarding Conservation Restrictions in town.

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A letter of clarification regarding the location of the split rail fence at 760 Mill Street to Wendy Henderson regarding Order of Conditions SE 041-1242. After the Commission reviewed the letter N. Hills motioned to sign it; J. Doubrava seconded; voted unanimously.

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116	N. Hills motioned to pay Invoice # 6864 from The Wanderer; J. Doubrava seconded;
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119	There was a brief discussion about a previous meeting with Dave Davignon
120	regarding an expired Order of Conditions. The Commission stated that the applicant will
121	need to file a new Notice of Intent.
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123	N. Hills motioned to issue the Determination of Applicability for <u>Dexter Beach</u>
124	Improvement Association (File No. 41D-1604), Dinghy Road. Negative Box #2. J. Doubrava
125	seconded; voted unanimously.
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127	J. Hartley motioned to issue Determination of Applicability for Michael Sudofsky, 345
128	Front Street. Negative Box #2. N. Hills seconded; voted unanimously.
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130	J. Doubrava motioned to issue Determination of Applicability for <u>Nicholas</u>
131	<u>Mitcheson</u> , 18 Wilson Road. Negative Box #2. N. Hills seconded; voted unanimously.
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134	Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.
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137	Donna M. Hemphill, Administrative Assistant
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